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6/18/73 EXT. 22680

APPROVED BY ARA: MR. DANIEL SZABO

ARA/ NC: MR. LITTLE

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TO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA

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E. O. 11652, DECONTROLLED FOLLOWING 12/18/73.

TAGS: EAID, CO

SUBJECT: CALL BY COLOMBIAN FINANCE MINISTER

1. COLOMBIAN MINISTER OF FINANCE ECHAVARRIA CALLED ON DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SZABO JUNE 15 TO TRANSMIT PRESIDENT PASTRANA' S STRONG INTEREST IN OBTAINING 150,000 MT OF WHEAT UNDER PL 480 TITLE I IN FY 74. HE AND COLOMBIAN AMBASSADOR BOTERO, WHO ACCOMPANIED HIM, STRESSED THE CURRENT WHEAT SHORTAGE IN COLOMBIA AND THE OUTLOOK FOR AN EQUALLY TIGHT PICTURE NEXT YEAR.

2. MR. SZABO RESPONDED THAT WE ARE ALWAYS MINDFUL OF COLOMBIA' S NEEDS AND WILL INDEED DO WHAT WE CAN TO RESPOND FAVORABLY TO THOSE NEEDS. HE POINTED  
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OUT, HOWEVER, THAT THE WORLDWIDE SUPPLY SITUATION FOR THE COMING YEAR IS NOT PARTICULARLY BRIGHT AND THAT, MOREOVER, PRESIDENT NIXON HAD THE PREVIOUS NIGHT ANNOUNCED A NEW POLICY ON FOOD EXPORTS AND THAT WE WERE NOT YET SURE HOW THAT WOULD APPLY TO SPECIFIC COMMODITIES. ECHAVARRIA SAID THAT HE UNDERSTOOD BUT WANTED TO REITERATE PRESIDENT PASTRANA'S CONTINUING CONCERN.

3. AMBASSADOR BOTERO ALSO RAISED THE SUBJECT OF COFFEE. THIS WILL BE REPORTED SEPARATELY. ROGERS

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